

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to incorporate the proper headings under rule 37 CFR 1.97.

The attached Figure 4 has been corrected in order to keep the reference characters consistent throughout each drawing and to label each reference character as requested.

The specification has also been amended to be consistent in regards to the reference characters with respect to the drawings.

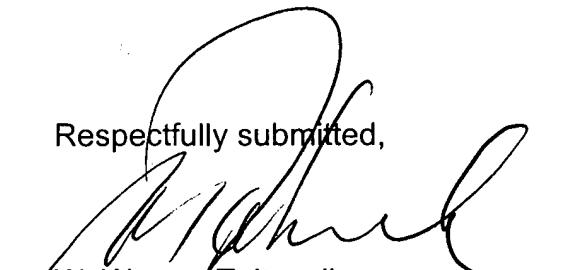
In response to the rejection to claims 1-13 under section 112, applicant invites the Examiner's attention to each of the following:

- page 5 lines 16-29 describe the claimed "...means for receiving a signal representative of the desired/actual thrust..." (claim 1 lines 4-7)
- page 6 lines 7-17 describe the claimed "...means for analysing the above signals..." (claim 1 line 8)
- page 5 lines 21-29 describe the claimed "...means for receiving a signal representing a desired fuel flow" (claim 1 lines 12-13)
- page 5 line 30 to Page 6 line 17 describe the claimed "...means for providing a signal.." (claim 1 line 14)
- page 5 line 30 to Page 6 line 1 describe the claimed "...fuel monitoring means..." (claim 1 line 14)
- page 6 lines 7-17 and page 8 lines 25-29 describe the claimed "...means for receiving a feedback signal..." (claim 1 line 16)
- page 6 lines 9-17 describe the claimed "...means for analysing the signal..." (claim 1 line 18)
- page 6 lines 18-31 and page 11 lines 4-10 describe the claimed "...protector means..." (claim 7 line 3 and claim 8 line 2)

- page 5 lines 16-20 and page 11 lines 4-10 describe the claimed "...means for receiving a signal representing engine thrust..." (claim 8 lines 2-3)
- page 8 line 34 through page 9 line 11 describe the claimed "...means for calculating a maximum desired fuel flow..." (claim 8 lines 5-6)
- page 9 lines 12-29 describe the claimed "means for determining..." (claim 10 line 2)
- page 5 line 30 to page 6 line 1 and page 6 lines 22-31 describe the claimed "...means for reducing or preventing fuel flow..." (claim 10 lines 5-6)
- page 5 line 30 to page 6 line 1 describe the claimed "...fuel monitoring means..." (claim 11 line 2 and claim 12 line 2)

The main purpose of present invention is to have the engine control means and the fuel control means to be separately powered such that a failure to supply power to one of them does not necessarily result in a failure to supply power to the other. None of the cited prior art, nor any of the Patents submitted with the information disclosure statement filed Oct. 7, 2003, disclose this feature and therefore do not anticipate the present invention.

Having addressed all the points raised in the Office action, it is believed that the application is now entitled to favorable treatment and this is earnestly solicited.

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